

REMARKS

The Specification was amended to delete “the specifications of which are incorporated herein by reference” from the paragraph of the section entitled “Cross Reference to Related Application(s).” The paragraph was introduced by the Preliminary Amendment submitted on April 3, 2002.

The Examiner is respectfully asked to consider and approve this deletion or contact Applicant’s representative to discuss the matter.

The Applicant respectfully requests that the preliminary amendment described herein be entered into the of the above-identified application. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (612) 373-6912 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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